SENATE RESOLUTION 94 By Kurita

A RESOLUTION to recognize Ms. Jionna Rose Newton, 2000 Valedictorian of Bible Baptist Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jionna Rose Newton is one such exceptional student who was recently named valedictorian of the 2000 graduating class at Bible Baptist Academy of Clarksville; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Ms. Newton has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Jionna has earned an exemplary grade point average, while actively participating in many clubs and organizations, including the Prayer Club, and working after school as a model employee of the local Kroger Grocery Store; and

WHEREAS, a born leader who possesses great ability, Jionna Newton has rendered astute service as President of the Student Body, Vice-President of the Student Body, and as Class Secretary and Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, a gifted athlete, Ms. Newton has demonstrated her exceptional skills on the volleyball court; she made the All-Conference Volleyball Team this season, earned the Volleyball Coach's Award in 1998-99, and helped lead the team as Team Captain during her senior season, and as Co-Captain in 1998-99; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding intellect and talents, Jionna has been inducted into the National Honor Society and the Beta Club; she has been an important member of the Bible Quiz Team, has been voted "Most Determined to Succeed" by her classmates, and has been listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Newton is an exemplary young woman of great character whose integrity should serve as benchmarks for all to emulate; her many attributes have been duly noted by her receipt of the Citizenship Award, Young Ruth Award, and the Christian Character Award; and

WHEREAS, Jionna Newton's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Jionna's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating from high school, Jionna plans to further her education by attending college and medical school to pursue a career in medicine as a caring and dedicated physician; and

WHEREAS, Jionna Newton's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend and honor 2000

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Bible Baptist Academy Valedictorian, Ms. Jionna Rose Newton, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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